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PENSACOLA, APRIL 5, 1900.

## PRECINCT DELEGATES

The Mays Democratic Club of Pensacola has endorsed the following ticket for delegates from the city precincts to the Democratic County Convention to be held at Fowlston, April 14 and ask that they be given a hearty support by the voters:

Precinct 12—C. H. Gingles, David Sheehan, Wm. Bazzell, J. D. Maxwell, and T. F. Wright.

Precinct 13—W. A. Ricourt, Thos. Hannah, John Christie, J. Geo. White and W. I. Duncan.

Precinct 14—Geo. Brown, Jos. J. Johnson, J. S. McLaughley, John Pfeiffer and J. E. Baars.

Precinct 15—E. H. Putnam, John West, Wm. Bennett, J. E. Abercrombie and W. A. Dunham.

AFTER many unavoidable delays Duval county has sent to the state reform school its first quota of inmates, eight in number, all colored, seven males and one female, whose sentences range from six months to five years. It should be Escambia county's turn next to help fill up the institution by disposing of a number of promising candidates for its benefits.

DEMOCRATS have scored another victory, this time in Michigan. A democratic mayor was elected Tuesday in Lansing—the first for ten years. Grand Rapids also elected a democratic mayor by a majority increased to 1,385, from 728 last year. Democratic mayors were elected in a number of other cities and towns, and large democratic gains are recorded at other points.

THE movement of the republican majority in the house of representatives to reduce the taxation, if consummated, will be a welcome relief to the taxpayers; but, all the same, it will be rightly understood as a means of manufacturing available ammunition for the impending campaign. Republicans are noted for religiously refraining from the inauguration or advocacy of measures calculated to reduce a treasury surplus, except by expenditure, unless such measures are necessary to their political purposes.

At last, the Florida Press association promises to include in its annual program something really practical. It was suggested by Hon. Geo. W. Wilson, editor of the Jacksonville Times-Union and Citizen, and is to take the shape of a single issue of a "dummy" newspaper, the contents to be supplied by the members, upon the assignments of an editor-in-chief, with prizes offered as follows: For the best news report of 1,000 words, as a leader, \$15; second best, 800 words, \$10; Best editorial leader, 800 words, \$15; second best editorial sub-head, 500 words, \$10; Best local report, 1,000 words, \$15; Best society article, \$10; Best descriptive article, \$15; Best police report, \$10; Best article for woman's department, \$15. In addition to these prizes Mr. B. B. Tatum, of the Miami Metropolis, offered \$10 for the best short poem. The plan was promptly adopted by the association at its recent meeting at Fort Myers, at which 31 newspaper men were in attendance, representing 25 newspapers. Next year's meeting will be held at Miami.

## Commerce and Imports.

Years ago THE NEWS endeavored to interest the merchants and capitalists of Pensacola in the subject of establishing an import trade for this city whereby it might be made a distributing point for a vast region of interior territory, crowded with consumers whose numbers and capacity for consumption are constantly and rapidly increasing. The effort was unavailing then, and may be disregarded now; but the motto of those who advocate wholesome growth in material prosperity should be, "Line upon line, and precept upon precept," and as surely as the stars are set in their courses, so surely is Pensacola to be the great distributing point for foreign imports that its most earnest promoters and well-wishers have desired to see it and predicted for it.

Commerce is the distribution of the fruits of industry to those who use and consume them. The corn-

fruit stand, no less than the gigantic department store or mammoth wholesale depot, is a factor in the work. Those who buy to sell, whether they deal by dollars or millions, are the agents of this great industry. The greater the volume of the traffic, the larger must be its returns in legitimate profits.

Pensacola should be, and is, great enough to consider the wants of the consumer at and near home, as a source of profit and commercial growth, as well as the demands of distant lands for the products of the country, as a means, by the multiplication of its facilities for exporting them, of increasing its importance in the commercial world.

According to the government reports for the year ending June 30, 1898—the latest published—the aggregate value of imports of merchandise for all of the Atlantic ports and all of the Gulf ports was \$518,518,028. Of this, only \$18,370,453, or 3.5 per cent, came through the Gulf ports.

Of the aggregate imports of the Gulf ports, \$9,664,467, or more than 59 per cent, came in through a single port—New Orleans. The four next largest ports—Paso del Norte, Galveston, Mobile and Corpus Christi—entered \$4,804,890, or 29.35 per cent. The three next largest—Tampa, Saluria and Key West, entered \$1,578,875, or 9.65 per cent of the whole. Pensacola's imports amounted to the pitiful sum of \$182,234, or only a trifle more than 1 per cent!

For nearly all of the vast quantity of imported merchandise consumed in or distributed from this city its merchants go to New Orleans or Mobile, or to the Atlantic ports, paying enormous sums in freights, receiving only a small portion of the possible profits upon the traffic, and yet maintaining, for the consumers tributary to them, the highest ultimate prices. Sometime—perhaps in the near future—they will see the advantage of importing direct, gaining the legitimate importers', as well as the distributors', profits, and utilizing the capital that now lies idle, the empty vessels which daily enter the port, and the long trains of "empties" that almost hourly depart from our depot.

THE NEWS is authorized by Hon. L. J. Reeves of DeFuniak Springs to announce that he is not a candidate for justice of the supreme court of Florida and that newspaper mention of his name in that connection was unauthorized and without his consent.

## His Life Was Saved.

Mr. J. E. Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hannibal, Mo., lately had a wonderful deliverance from a frightful death. In telling of it he says: "I was taken with Typhoid Fever that ran into Pneumonia. My lungs became hardened. I was so weak I couldn't even sit up in bed. Nothing helped me. I expected to soon die of Consumption. When I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave great relief. I continued to use it, and now am well and strong. I can't say too much in its praise." This marvelous medicine is the surest and quickest cure in the world for all Throat and Lung Trouble. Regular size 50 cents and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at W. A. D'Alemberte's drug store; every bottle guaranteed.

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## QUALIFICATION

Of Voters in Democratic Primary Election April 10th, 1900.

All white Democrats who are registered and who have paid their poll taxes for the years 1898 and 1899.

These persons must vote in the precinct where they are registered, unless transferred before the election by the Supervisor of Registration.

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## CITY LEGISLATION

## An Interesting Meeting of the Board of Aldermen.

**Taxable Property of the City Valued at \$3,150,000. An Increase of \$177,300 Over 1898—Alderman Green Again Calls Attention to the Inefficiency of the Tax Laws.**

A regular meeting of the city council was held last night. Present, Mayor Hilliard, Aldermen Green, Hays, Keyser, Christie, Cahn, Hall, Baars, Pfeiffer and Avery.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Chairman Green of the finance committee reported adversely upon the request of the board of public safety for an appropriation of \$50 to provide a conveyance for the chief of the fire department, but recommended the appropriation of \$60 requested by the board for the purchase of horse collars for the fire department. He stated that this would leave only \$1,900 unappropriated, which must cover all expenditures for the remainder of the fiscal year not already provided for.

Alderman Avery spoke forcefully in favor of providing some means for the chief to reach fires promptly. He asked what salary the chief received, and when told that it was \$80 a month he suggested that perhaps the most feasible plan would be to increase the salary of the chief and require him to provide his own conveyance.

Alderman Green stated that heretofore the chief went to fires in a public hack; that the hackmen seemed to take pride in getting him there promptly, and as soon as an alarm was sounded two or three of the hacks raced out to find the chief. It might be a good idea to make an appropriation from which the board of public safety could pay these hackmen. The city should go slow on appropriations, for the trucks were wearing out and must soon be repaired and replaced by others. It had also been suggested that the city should buy a combination hose truck and chemical engine, which would cost \$1000. If the city bought a horse for the chief there would be the monthly expense of feeding it. It must also be remembered that the Palafox street sewer would need attention and there might also be other necessary expenditures for the protection of public health during the summer.

The report of the finance committee was then adopted without further discussion.

## Tax Values

Chairman Green of the finance committee reported that the tax books for 1899, as copied from the county tax books, had been examined by his committee; that they appeared to be correct and that they showed total tax valuations as follows:

Real Estate ..... \$2,850,000  
Personal ..... 150,000  
Railroad and telegraph ..... 150,000  
Total ..... \$3,150,000  
Total for 1898 ..... 2,972,700  
Increase over 1898 ..... \$177,300

The report of the harbor and sanitary committee on the petition of Stephen Lee for permit to erect a fertilizer factory on the island, accompanied by an opinion from the city attorney, was read and discussed. It was decided that the city had no authority to grant him the permission asked, but Mr. Lee could take the risk himself, and if he deodorized the fish it was not likely anyone would protest.

Alderman Avery of the water and gas committee, to whom had been referred the question of buying a gas testing machine, reported a letter from Supt. C. F. Zack of the gas company as their report. This letter gives the addresses of a number of firms who make such machines. They cost \$250 each, but require an expert to operate them. Mr. Zack offered that if the city saw fit to employ an expert to inspect the city gas he might have free use of their machine. The report was received and filed.

Chairman Daniel of the board of public safety reported a contract with St. Anthony hospital, for three beds for use jointly by the city and county, for approval of the board of aldermen. The matter was referred to Mayor Hilliard with power to sign the contract.

Marshall White reported in writing certain trespassing on water front property that had been reported to him. The matter was referred to the harbor and sanitary committee.

Comptroller Morgan reported that the Postal Telegraph Co. had paid its pole tax; that the Western Union would be ready in a few days to pay and that the Southern Bell Telephone and the Terminal companies asked an extension of time to the next meeting of the board, when they would have a proposition to make. The report was received and filed.

The ordinance relative to the erection in the city of poles by telephone and other companies, reported by the ordinance and engrossing committee, was read the third time and passed by a unanimous vote.

The ordinance relative to employment and discharge of sanitary inspectors and other employees of the

city board of health was read the second time and referred to the committee on ordinances and engrossing.

An ordinance to amend chapter 4, article 2, section 13 of the city code, which had been read the second time at a previous meeting, was referred to the committee on ordinances and engrossing.

A petition from the Pensacola Yacht club, for permit to erect a wharf and club house, was referred to the board of public works.

Chairman Green of the finance committee reported that a property holder had stated to him that he had paid no taxes since 1895; that \$119.81 was assessed against him and he wanted to compromise by paying \$100. His committee had no authority to grant such concession. He had brought the matter up because there were hundreds of just such cases. It was an important matter. Something was radically wrong with the tax laws and they should be remedied. An effort had been made at the last session of the legislature to have a bill passed, but they had started too late. A committee was now considering tax matters. They should suggest some remedy and a strong effort should be made at the next session of the legislature to have a bill passed; that the question of assessment and collection of taxes was one of the gravest problems that confronted the council. If there were a law to equalize assessments and force collections, the city would be in better financial condition.

Mayor Hilliard stated that one case had been called to his attention by the county tax collector where a man, born in Pensacola, had inherited a piece of property, had lived to a ripe old age and had never paid a dollar of taxes thereon.

Alderman Keyser wanted to know how this could be done.

Alderman Green stated that the property would be sold two years for taxes, bought in by the state or city, then dropped from the tax rolls, and there was no way to dispose of the occupant, who continued to reside undisturbed on the property.

On motion of the property, it was ordered that hereafter, until further notice, the council meet at 8 p. m. instead of 7:30 p. m.

The council then adjourned.

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